



Raman Scattering in Optical Crystals

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The Raman effect, which was predicted theoretically by Adolf Smekal in 1923, was first reported in 1928 by Indian scientist C. V. Raman (the Nobel Prize in 1930) and his coworker [K. S. Krishnan](#) and independently by Soviet scientists [G. S. Landsberg](#) and [L. I. Mandelstam](#). Exactly 60 years ago, in 1962, stimulated Raman scattering was first discovered by E. J. Woodbury and W. K. Ng, providing the basis for a new type of lasers: Raman lasers. Currently, Raman scattering is one of the most useful tools for studying the structure of crystals and, at the same time, is an efficient method for the generation and nonlinear conversion of coherent radiation in optical crystals. This Special Issue on “Raman Scattering in Optical Crystals” intends to provide a unique international forum aimed at covering a broad area of Raman scattering for studying new optical crystals, as well as the characterization and application of optical crystals as functional media for lasers and nonlinear converters. Scientists and engineers working with optical, nonlinear, and laser crystals are invited to contribute to this issue.





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